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WHAT'S COOKING BY MARJ COLBURN

Earlier this spring, Lisa Sedlak resigned her position in the Kitchen after 20 some years and took a position with the Grand Island Veterans Home. Regulations specify that HRC has a dietician who oversees the youth's diet and the school lunch program either as an employee or by contract. Due to the many changes and downsizing that has gone on at HRC over the past few years, Personnel in Lincoln decided to review Lisa's vacant position and classification. That

process took awhile, but HRC is finally on the back-side of their recommendations.

Lisa plans to continue to work at HRC completing nutritional assessments on the youth and making sure the school lunch program is meeting guidelines and handling all the "Dietician" issues that come up in the Kitchen. She will be doing this after regular business hours and on weekends, a schedule that accommodates her working in Grand

Island.

The position that Lisa held at HRC was reclassified as a Food Service Manager. This will allow us to recruit for the position of a Kitchen supervisor without the stipulation that the person be a dietician. This person will serve as the overall manager of the Kitchen and will be responsible for the day-to-day operations in the Kitchen and Cafeteria.

The position held by

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JUNE IS

Fireworks Safety Month

June 1 - July 4

Men's Health Month

JUNE 21ST

First Day of Summer

&

**GRILL OUT—EAT IN
STAFF SUMMER
BARBECUE**

See back page for
more details!



Kitchen staff featured in photo include: Doug Bonham (Food Service Leader), Shelly Cantrell (Supply Worker), Dolores Kimminau (Staff Assistant), Marsha Utecht, (Food Service Cook), Vicki Maulucci (Food Service Cook). Not present: Danita Boutin and Chris Keebler (Food Service Cooks)

WHAT'S COOKING CONTINUED.....

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Kurt Weseman has been reclassified to a cook position. This will allow Kitchen staff a little more breathing room and provide assistance in preparing meals and handling the workload in the Cafeteria.

While the positions have been reclassified and posted, they are not all filled at the present time. The Kitchen staff, being led by Doug Bonham, are doing an excellent job of keeping everything running as we work towards filling positions. Dolores Kimminau agreed to temporarily move to the Kitchen to manage

the mail, bills, deliveries and whatever else she can assist with in that area. Nancy Kinyoun is assisting by being the connection between events in the Kitchen and how they impact the facility as a whole.

Of course, in the midst of all this, the air conditioner in the Kitchen has conked out, and the freezer has become possessed, - working when it feels like it and making sure all the food in it gets reshuffled to another freezer when it decides not to work, and sometimes it just lets some food thaw out so it can be thrown away! The Kitchen staff have really been working with

lots of obstacles thrown in their path, and they are doing an excellent job!

We are all hoping that within the next month or so we will have all of the positions filled, trained, and running up to speed. Thanks to Doug, Shelly, Chris, Vicki, Danita, Marsha, Dolores, and Nancy for making changes in your lives to help keep things moving. Thanks to the staff in Building #3 for your patience with these changes and willingness to help out the Kitchen staff as much as possible.

NEW EMPLOYEES JOIN HRC BY BETH BARTELL



Brooke Wright began employment in mid-May as a Licensed Mental Health Practitioner. Past work experience for Brooke includes time at K-

YRTC as a Recreation Aide, a Correctional Caseworker at the Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility in Omaha, and positions at Visinet as Out-patient Services Coordinator and Foster Care Coordinator.

Brett Hopkins joins HJCDP as a Youth Security Specialist on the



afternoon shift. He has experience in the education field and worked at Mid Plains Center as a Teacher prior to its closure.

Welcome to HRC!

OPEN ENROLLMENT COMPLETED BY CAROLYN BROWN

We have completed another successful Open Enrollment at HRC. Thank you HRC staff for getting it done in a timely manner. Now that you have those passwords, use them regularly to check your paystubs each pay period. It is especially important

to check the pay stub that ends on July 3rd. That will have your new Plan Year Elections on it. This is a great time for you to check the deductions and make sure they are correct.



If you have any questions regarding your deductions or your paystub, please contact your payroll representative Chris Silvey at 402-471-4629.

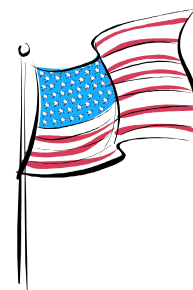
Good job, staff!

FLAG TRIVIA CREATED BY CAROLYN BROWN

Put your thinking caps on, and submit your answers to Flag Trivia. Entries will be scored and thrown in the pot for a prize drawing. **Entries due by email to Corinne Jensen by June 24th!**

1. When was the Nebraska State flag adopted?
2. What type of occupation is featured on the Nebraska State flag?
3. When did Nebraska become a state?
4. Flag Day is celebrated when?
5. On what holiday should the flag be displayed at half staff until noon and then at full staff from noon to sunset?
6. The flag that Francis Scott Key wrote about is still in existence. Where is it housed?
7. How many strips are on the current American Flag?
8. A brand new American flag is flown each day over what residence?
9. A vexillologist is an expert in what?
10. When draped over a casket, where should the American flag's stars be?

Good luck!



INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT NEBRASKA

The Lied Jungle located in Omaha is the world's largest indoor rain forest.

Nebraska is the birthplace of the Reuben sandwich.

Spam (canned meat) is produced in Fremont.

Nebraska has more miles of river than any other state.

The Union Pacific Bailey Yards in North Platte is the largest rail classification complex in the world.

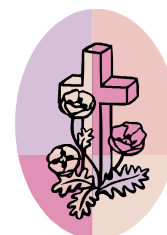


THEY WERE NOT FORGOTTEN BY CHERI DELAY

The 900+ men and women who are buried in the HRC Cemetery were not forgotten on Memorial Day 2011. Staff met prior to the weekend to discuss how we could get the cemetery cleaned up especially for the holiday. Unfortunately, it was not possible to get mowing equipment back to their final resting places because of the deluge of rain that was received throughout the entire month of May. These rains created an impassable roadway to the cemetery.

Gary Peisiger, Facility Maintenance Supervisor at HRC, has made arrangements to rent a bigger mower than what we usually use as soon as the road has dried enough to drive the mower on. He also has plans to regrade the road. Last fall into winter, the gas line construction workers used this road to access the area beyond the cemetery when they were laying the pipeline in that area and the road was torn up somewhat with that additional daily use.

The rains seem to be lessening so far into June, and Gary hopes to be able to get this special task completed in the next few weeks. Kudos to our HRC maintenance staff who do such a great job keeping our outside campus areas so beautiful!!



STRAWBERRY TRIFLE *from the kitchen of Marsha Utecht*

2 pints sliced strawberries

1 container of fresh/frozen blueberries

1 large tub whipped topping

1 large angel food cake or 2 angel food bars

1 large instant vanilla pudding

In large bowl, alternate layers of angel food cake, pudding, whipped topping, strawberries and blueberries.

Top with whipped topping and sliced strawberries.

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BEFORE



AFTER



The Pre Voc youth salvaged six bench frames from the scrap pile and refurbished them. The benches are now in front of Building 3 and Chapel, at the West basketball court and in the playing field. We hope everyone enjoys them. Our thanks to the PVC youth.

Donations to the stock of paper plates, cups, napkins and utensils used for various carry-in staff functions are always welcome. Supplies can be brought to the offices of Cheri Delay or Corinne Jensen.
Thank you!

KIDS SAY THE DARNDDEST THINGS

My 2 ½ -year-old daughter, Allison, is quite the little mother to her 1-year-old sister, Olivia. Allison tends to get frustrated, though, when her sister does things she is not supposed to do, like pull her hair, mess up her toys, take her Cheerios, etc. Allison makes sure she lets me know when Olivia does these things, and I think she simply finds it hard to believe that Olivia would be so inconsiderate! I have tried to explain to Allison that because Olivia is so young, she doesn't "understand" all of the rules yet. Just the other day, when Olivia took one of Allison's toys, Allison said to me, in a motherly tone, "Mommy, Olivia doesn't *know her stand*." I definitely give her credit for remembering what I had said, even though she may have been a little off!

Submitted by Jennifer Bangs, Occupational Therapist Consultant



Keyboard or guitar instructor who provides lessons. Call Kenny @ 3433.

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STAFF

SUMMER BARBECUE

JUNE 21

11:00AM - 12:30PM

ROOM 006 STAFF DEV.

HAMBURGERS SERVED

PARTICIPANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING A SALAD, DESSERT OR MONETARY DONATION TO THE COST OF THE BURGERS & BUNS



COME WELCOME SUMMER!